

The Plaintiff Charges That the Water Drawn Off for the Canal and Water Supply Purposes is Damaging His Property.

(Resealed to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., April 4.—Depositions were taken in the Lake Drummond case this morning in the United States Circuit Court before Commissioner Bowden. William N. Camp, of Florida, has brought suit against the Lake Drummond Canal and Water Company for an injunction to prevent the depletion of the water supply in Lake Drummond. The plaintiff says he is the owner of fifty thousand acres of land in the Dismal Swamp, lying in Norfolk and Nansemond counties, and covered with valuable timber, consisting of juniper,ypress and gum trees, and also of the waters of Lake Drummond. There is a ditch, called the Jericho Canal, from which the defendant is taking water for carrying timber to market. It is governed by the Dismal Canal Company, which is a corporation. The defendant is charged with decreasing the store of water in the lake by the use of water through the ditch, and thereby injuring the property of the plaintiff. The plaintiff desires to prevent the waste of water from the lake and the depreciation of the value of the timber. The defendant answers that the supply of water in the lake is governed by drought and overabundance, and is not affected by the use of the water through the Jericho ditch, and that the conditions now are practically the same that they were 100 years ago. The plaintiff asks for \$100,000 in damages. He has no proof of the allegations of the plaintiff.

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LIQUOR MEN SENT TO JAIL.

In the liquor crusade, cases in the Police Court this morning two negroes, who were doubtless the agents of the men, were found guilty of carrying charges and fined the extent of \$500 each. They were not able to pay and did not give bonds, hence they went to jail in default. These are the first negroes who have been indicted. They are against negroes, both of whom are notorious. Both cases were appealed to the Corporation Court, where they will be followed by a number of others.

The verdict was upheld by the jury because of the evidence, which, except for the police detective, is from the lowest class of frequenters of the saloons, who are in the liquor traffic, and they say that they are making great reforms in the character of the traffic, but the traffic is still the same in other ways.

The results are not apparent as to the permanent changes that are to follow.

SCHOONER TOWNED IN.—The big schooner Grace, Captain J. H. Adams, was on the Roads in distress, after an awful experience in a hurricane in the Gulf Stream, during which the schooner lost a great many of her crew and carried a great many of her cargo of water and corn overboard. One of the sailors was washed overboard, and when it was thought that he was lost he was picked back on board again the next week. The vessel left Perth Amboy, N. J., a week ago, bound to Jacksonville with a cargo of coal. She was well in Southern waters when she encountered the hurricane, and she swept up the coast, and all but foundered. Great waves swept the deck and at times the hull was submerged. The seamen had no time, and it was found that the vessel could not save her deck. After the storm had subsided it was found that there was six feet of water in the hold. Temporary repairs were made, and the schooner sailed up the coast. When she reached Henry she was sighted flying signals of distress, and one of the Mr-

shall tug (not the Davis) in tow.
COTTON TO CHINA.

A cargo of manufactured cotton goods from the South will be taken from here to Shanghai, China, by the British steamer St. Bede, now in port.

The goods were manufactured from the raw material in South Carolina and Georgia, and the shipment to a foreign country is an event in this part of the country.

On the same steamer will be sent 8,000 tons of Pocahontas coal, which is to be sold here at Chea Foo.

The vessel, being loaded by the P. Zahalants Coal Company, of which Captain Curran & Bullitt are the agents, will leave for William A. Barr, of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, and Mrs. Barr arrived home this morning from Asheville, N. C., where Mr. Barr had been to recuperate his health after a protracted sickness. They went as far as Louisiana, but his condition not being so favorable there, they came up to Asheville, where he improved rapidly.

FLOURISHING SCHOOL.
The report of the superintendent of schools of Portsmouth for the month of March showed the number of pupils in operation, 82; number of pupils in average daily attendance, 1,704.

Under the Industrial School, which is not altogether under the control of the School Board, 426 girls are taught sewing and 40 cooking; 289 boys are enrolled in the Lloyd schools, all of whom are doing well.

The condition of young Clifford Schwelkert, of Portsmouth, whose skull was fractured during the storm on last Monday morning, and who was brought to St. Christopher's Hospital, Norfolk, that day, where an operation was per-

The proverb used in last Sunday's Times-Dispatch Want Column Proverb Contest was quite a difficult one to solve—"From Saving Comes Having." It is not so generally known as the proverbs that have been used heretofore.

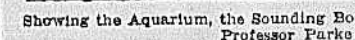
The proverb of to-day's contest is one that is well known and spoken by every body. It is composed of twenty letters which are scattered throughout the Little want ads on both Want pages. Several prizes are awarded the winners each week. This contest makes a most interesting puzzle, affording a great deal of amusement and pleasant pastime. Find the letters and then form the proverb.

The seven prizes for last week's contest were awarded to the following named contestants:
First prize—\$2.00—Miss Perkinson, Station A, city.
Second prize—\$1.00 order—Mrs. M. Wood, general delivery, city.

Harvard Professor's Researches Would Show That Some Fish Have Sense of Hearing and That Others are Deaf to Sound.

(Special Correspondence.)
CAMBRIDGE, MASS., April 4, 1903—
When Isaac Walton decided "to advise
anglers to be patient and forbear swear-
ing, lest they be heard and catch no
fish," he gave his approval to a generally
accepted theory of hearing in fishes.
Most of us, when learning to fish, were
advised to be patient and forbear swear-
ing, upon pain of going home empty-handed.
Thus, this notion that fish can hear
has been denied of late years by several
modern scientific observers, but now
comes Professor O. H. Parker of Harvard
University with a series of experiments
thoroughly performed, that biological ob-
servations at Woods Hole, United States
Commission at Woods Hole, to substantiate,
at least in part, the fisherman's time-
honored supposition. That all fishes have
power of hearing Professor Parker does
not assert. But none the less he declares
that he is fully convinced that the particu-
lar fish which he has used in his recent in-
vestigation do hear sounds.

This conclusion seems, at first glance,
quite opposite to the one reached by the
Viennese physiologist, Kredl, who de-
cided, some years ago, that the ears of a
goldfish have no value whatsoever as
hearing apparatus, and that the goldfish
was actually deaf, and that he rather
felt it. Yet the two conclusions may
not be so irreconcilable. It does not



follow, for instance, that the little New England minnow, or "Blitfish," on which Professor Parker conducted his experiments did hear, that the goldfish used may not have been quite incapable of hearing. Indeed, Professor Tulburg, of the University of Upsala, has made a series of experiments with the sense organs of fishes, tells us that a fish's actual hearing is a matter not yet finally proved either one way or the other.

Hearing has been pointed out by various observers as the sense that is most likely to be developed. It is found only in the higher organisms. Among the vertebrates, for example, although frogs, toads, turtles, and the like have a certain sense of hearing, yet its efficiency is low compared with that of birds, or, particularly, of the superior mammals, such as dogs and cats. All creatures, moreover, in which hearing has so far been found highly developed are animals that live surrounded by air, and the question has thus been raised as to whether the sense of hearing could really develop in water. And if it could, under water were impossible, fishes would obviously be deaf.

HAVE EARS.

It was known as long ago as the beginning of the seventeenth century that fishes had what appeared to be ears, and because they had ears the earlier scientists concluded they could hear. Not until late in the nineteenth century did it occur to anybody to advance the belief that fish live in perpetual silence, literally "deaf" according to the modern "hearing" test. For instance, found that a goldfish, whose hearing apparatus had been altogether removed responded to sound just like a normal goldfish; and Bateson, the English zoologist, discovered that a number of different kinds of fishes, evidently affected by the sound of music, sang or concussions—such as, for example, a stick on the wall of an aquarium—were apparently deaf to minor noises. Kroll, indeed, demolished a very pretty tradition. The trout in a basin at the Benedictine monastery in Krems, Austria, were popularly supposed to assemble for food on hearing the bell of the monastery. But the Viennese scientist discovered on investigation that the trout assembled just as promptly, bell or no bell, on catching sight of a man standing on the bank of the basin, and that no amount of bell ringing would make them assemble unless the man was present.

Nobody, however, one might argue, if the ears of a certain fish do not serve it to hear with, they must have some other equally important office, and it has become clear, through the independent investigations of several scientists during the last two decades that they do play an important part in the life of the fish. In fact, it seems through the work of Professor Lee, of Columbia University, in studying the action of several species of fish when subjected to sounds of one kind or another, came to the conclusion that the sole function of their ears, so-called, was to keep them in equilibrium. In fact, according to another general scientific opinion at the beginning of the twentieth century, piscatorial need by no means constrained Isaac Walton's angler to "the patient and forbear swearing."

SOME MAKE SOUNDS.
Professor Parker however, does not altogether agree with these other scientists. He starts from the well-known fact that certain fish, like the sea-robin, make

**Palatial Offices of Big Manufacturing
Concerns—Coming Racing Season.
Some Wagers Laid That Sir
Thomas Will Lift the Cup.**

By JOHN MARTHOLO

NEW YORK, April 4.—It is a significant fact that the value of listed securities in the New York Curb Exchange has shrunk during one year almost one billion of dollars. This shrinkage has been quiet and gradual. It has been largely confined to railroads, and has been a steady eating of all. To what is this due? Reports of railroads show an increased volume of freight and of passenger traffic; indeed, many of them have had a record for roadbed and equipment have been so heavy that more rails have had to be laid, and more cars and locomotives purchased. The song and dance has been one of a boom of good cheer, and their books, in spite of increased wages to employees and increased expenses, show handsome net earnings. Car builders report their output to railroads behind the demand. Interest on bonds has been promptly paid, and millions in dividends distributed. But before we lower

The visit of a corporation lawyer to the capital of the State, having loose corporation laws, the paying of a fee, the permission to swell the treasury with millions in green ink is wholly responsible for some thousands of millions. The value to these millions was set by "manipulation." This took place in the early days of the wild and artifice of modern financiers, to catch the public. Now for a year and more the public has not desired the pretty certificates. It has preferred bonds secured by tangible property, and some times by gold. Manipulation costs money, and a few shares on a falling market have been sold to defray interest, brokers' charges and expenses generally. The pretty certificates are generally sold at a discount to sell on a rising market; but the public has come to its senses.

One billion this year. I venture to predict that another billion will trickle out next year. And when banks become more conservative in loaning the money of their customers on the output of the Certificate Factory, the shrinkage will be still greater. There is nothing the matter with the prosperity of the country, or with the volume of freight, but there is a good deal the matter with the green goods offered to the public on Wall Street.

Modern business methods would surprise our grandfathers. The offices of modern up-to-date manufacturers are equipped after a fashion that would make the pioneers of American trade blush at their eyes. I had occasion the morning of yesterday to visit the great plant of the New York Knitwear Co., Inc., at Yonkers, N. Y., where I met Mr. J. J. Serra, Costa Company architect, who wished to inspect some of the new buildings. After we had passed about a few hours in the great modelling room where the workmen were working on the large models of the new ornamental parts of a building, reminding me of the old-fashioned counters, we visited the of-

At 7 o'clock here we met Mr. Walter Geor, the president, and Mr. Bushnell Danford, the secretary. They invited us to lunch, suppers and dancing at the Waldorf-Astoria. Now it is here where the old city's entire floor is devoted to entertainment. It has reception rooms, waiting rooms, a large dining room and kitchen. The walls are adorned with pictures of great interest. There is also a library, the University Club, the Waldorf-Astoria, the Hotel Imperial, Ansonia, Delmonico's, German Square, Dorling's and other conspicuous buildings for which the country is famous, furnished with the most beautiful and expensive materials. The great brick fire-places are noble specimens of the work done in this favored building material, etc. In the reception rooms are many paintings showing the achievements of Greek and Roman architecture, also of the Italian and French Renaissance.

The killing of a woman on Fifth Avenue and Thirty-fourth Street, a cab has given rise to a terrible man or argument as to whether the automobile is less dangerous than the cab. It responds more quickly to the will of the driver, and it can come more quickly to a dead stop. Be this as it may, it is certain, however, that there is no doubt about the death roll added to by the victims of automobiles and cabs. The time is fast coming, both in the city and its suburbs, when the old sailor's belief that the perils of the sea are less than the perils of the land, will come true.

Mr. Lewis Nixon seems to be coming in for a good many honors from Republican sources, and in a recent Roosevelt names him as one of the 11st of the Board of Visitors to the Naval Academy at Annapolis, and Governor Odell has appointed him as the Democratic member of the St. Louis Fair Commission. He is, however, one of the more cautious phases of political life in New York. The reason why honorable to Mr. Nixon's lot may be ascribed to his frankness and integrity of character, entertaining well set and immovable opinions, he, nevertheless, is not a man to do either with or without. He makes no enemies and has a pleasant and hearty greeting for all.

He is an outspoken Parker man and a personal friend of Mr. Bryan; and when Mr. Bryan is attacked he does not hesitate to go to the aid of his friend, and on one such enemy a staunch friend and genuine Democrat.

From now on, thousands, it would not be exaggeration to say tens of thousands, of men will be much interested in the preparations of owners of "crack" thoroughbreds for the coming season on the metropolitan tracks. For many seasons, the white, with red and blue cross sashes, of the stable of the late Charles Fleischmann, have been popular among the lovers of the good sport. These colors have been a guarantee of fair sport, and they have been run to victory in many a leading stake. It is pleasing to know that this year they will be seen as the colors of a stable, which has a grand string of two-year-olds. The stable is now

The string at present consists of forty-one, of which thirty-five are two-year-olds. In the string will be found Wax Candle, who beat out Aceful on his second start, Meltonian and others at Sheepshead; Hurshtourne, that won the Royal Stakes at Brighton; and a number of others, but consecutively wins. But space will not permit pointing out others that became favorites.

By the way, I understand that Mr. Julius Fleischmann, as Mayor of Cincinnati, has been elected to the office of Mayor by his fellow townsmen, and more especially of the Republican element, and now that there is a contest imminent in April they look to him as the only man capable of opposing the Democratic candidate, Mr. R. B. Ingalls, president of the Big Four

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**Ten White Press Brick Stores
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Five Flats.**

Notably handsome improvements are to be made at once at Fifth and Main Streets on what is known as the Allan lot, owned by the Richmond Realty and Development Company.

The contract has been let to Mr. I. C. Jenkins, one of the best known builders of Richmond, for the erection by September 1st of ten white pressed brick stores with recess plate-glass fronts, panelled ceilings, and every modern improvement and convenience. These are all to front on Main Street. All of the stores will be on the same lot.

have cellars, and the five westernmost will have modern flats of eight rooms each on the second floor. The remaining easternmost stores will have spacious storage floors on the second floor.

Several of the stores have already been spoken for, and it would not be surprising if a well known druggist occupies the corner store. This is an admirable location for a drug store. The westernmost store is represented by Messrs. J. Thompson Brown & Company, real estate agents, who have the stores and flats for rent. They state that for the first year the stores will be rented at from \$400 to \$600 a year each, according to location and the quantity of space. The second year the rent will be \$420 a year. Messrs. Brown & Company expect to have them all engaged on or before completion.

Shooting Charged.

Walter Jenkins was arrested yesterday morning in the Third District for shooting with a parlor rifle several months ago Israel Jenkins. Both parties are colored.

Another Contest In To-Day's Want Pages—Seven Prizes—
Work Out the Interesting Puzzle.

The Times-Dispatch want column cartoon contest has proven of great value to the many readers and has grown more popular from day to day. It is remarkable the great improvement made by many of the contestants who have entered this valuable contest and school. The six prizes for the best drawings submitted last week were awarded as follows:

	STOKES, VA. S. W. Book.
	SCOTTSMILLER, VA: Mrs. L. S. Cooke.
	ABINGDON, VA. Fannie McBroom.
	SOUTH BOSTON, VA. R. W. Booker.
	MADISON, VA. Virginia H. Fugh.

First prize, \$2.00 order—Leota L. Davenport, Station A, city.	GREEN BAY, VA. Miss Jane L. Jones.
Second prize, \$1.00 order—Samuel B. Richardson, No. 110 Randolph Street, city.	SURRY COUNTY, VA. Miss Ruth Gwynn.
Third prize, \$1.00 order—A. T. care Carrier 47, city.	PETERSBURG, VA. Miss J. W. Allen.
Fourth prize, \$1.00 order—Lavissia Richardson, Fredericksburg, Va.	LOUISIA, VA. R. G. James.
Fifth prize, \$1.00 order—James J. Walsh, No. 510 North Third Street, city.	HANOVER, VA. Polly Finlason.
Sixth prize, \$1.00 order—James A. Mullins, Martinsville, Va.	HOUSTON, VA. Miss Bessie Jordan.
Special mention due the following— Speed, Corinthian.	BLACKSTONE, VA. Miss Bessie Jordan.

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 Annie Curtis, S. A. Williams,
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 John Bury, J. P. Robert,
 Sherwood Nott, B. John P. Smith,
 C. H. C., S. S. Hanaker,
 Mike Rieley, M. W. Blair,
 A. F. Williams, Claude Jenkins,
 A. B. C., A. C. Glover,
 J. F. Smith, J. G. B.
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 MARTINSVILLE, VA.
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 RUCKERSVILLE, VA.
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 ROCK CASTLE, VA.
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 Florence Maxxy, A. H. Johns,
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